

PRESS RELEASE

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MUSEUM'S FILM FEST FEATURES COMEDIES SET IN ANCIENT WORLD

It'll be a four-day toga party--games, laughter, dancing, feats of derring-do, wine, women, and song--at this year's Holiday Film Festival at The Cleveland Museum of Art. Classical musical comedies set in ancient times will be shown at 2:15 pm each day from Tuesday, December 27, through Friday, December 30. All films are free; they complement the Museum's exhibition of ancient classical bronzes, The Gods Delight.

Tuesday, December 27, 2:15 pm

A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Forum (USA, 1966). Richard Lester's manic musical about the misadventures of a conniving Roman slave. With Zero Mostel, Phil Silvers, Buster Keaton, and Michael Crawford. Color, 99 min.

Wednesday, December 28, 2:15 pm

Roman Scandals (USA, 1933). An American (Eddie Cantor) dreams himself back to ancient Rome in Frank Tuttle's lively romp with production numbers by Busby Berkeley. B&W, 85 min.

Thursday, December 29, 2:15 pm

Jupiter's Darling (USA, 1955). General Hannibal's designs on Rome are sidetracked when the emperor's daughter seduces him. George Sidney directs George Sanders, Esther Williams, and Howard Keel. Color, 'scope, 96 min. 35mm library print shown courtesy of Turner Entertainment.

Friday, December 30, 2:15 pm

The Boys from Syracuse (USA, 1940). Director Edward Sutherland adapts Shakespeare's "Comedy of Errors" in this film version of the famous Rodgers and Hart show. With Allan Jones, Joe Penner, and Martha Raye. B&W, 73 min.

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